

Our Worship of God

May 19, 2019

11:15 am

(† Indicates those who are able, please stand)

- The Fifth Sunday of Easter -

Greeting

Rev. Brittany McDonald Null

Prelude

God of Grace

arr. Manz

Call to Worship (responsive)

Ever Present God,

Thank you for your faithful presence among us,

even when we are not fully aware of it.

Continue to reveal yourself to us.

Open our eyes to see you here among us;

open our ears to hear your Word.

For surely, you are with us in this place. Amen

†Proclamation Hymn 34

Rejoice, Ye Pure In Heart

(Please turn to face the cross as it enters.)

†Passing the Peace of Christ

Sharing Our Story

Meredith Imler

Questions for Reflection

Where will you spend your time this week?

Who will you interact with?

Scripture Reading

Kee Groshong

Acts 10:1-8

In Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of the Italian Cohort, as it was called. He was a devout man who feared God with all his household; he gave alms generously to the people and prayed constantly to God. One afternoon at about three o'clock he had a vision in which he clearly saw an angel of God coming in and saying to him, "Cornelius." He stared at him in terror and said, "What is it, Lord?" He answered, "Your prayers and your alms have ascended as a memorial before God. Now send men to Joppa for a certain Simon who is called Peter; he is lodging with Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the seaside." When the angel who spoke to him had left, he called two of his slaves and a devout soldier from the ranks of those who served him, and after telling them everything, he sent them to Joppa.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer (unison)

**Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me, Christ in me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,
Christ when I arise,
Christ in the heart of every one who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.**

Anthem

They Shall Soar Like Eagles

Laura Manzo

*They shall soar like eagles;
rise up and soar like eagles.
They who wait upon the Lord
shall not be weary.
They shall never stumble,
but gain new strength and power.
They who wait upon the Lord.*

*Those who are weary and burdened with sorrow
need not despair there is hope for tomorrow.
God will be there each time you call on Him.*

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Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, “Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?” Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, “I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, ‘Get up, Peter; kill and eat.’ But I replied, ‘By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.’ But a second time the voice answered from heaven, ‘What God has made clean, you must not call profane.’ This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven.

At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, ‘Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.’ And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.’ If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?” When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, “Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.”

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

†Hymn 532

Be Thou My Vision

Message

Pastor Carol McEntyre

Question for Reflection

Where did you see God and you were surprised?

†Hymn of Commitment 543

Christ Beside Me

†Offertory Sentence

Offertory

God, Who Touches Earth With Beauty

arr. Manuel

†Benediction

Worship Notes

Prayer, St. Patrick's Breastplate

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Thank you for worshiping with us today! If you wish to share this worship experience with a neighbor, the service is broadcast live, and the sermon is available on our website within a week.

Week at a Glance

Monday, May 20

9-10:30 am Senior Yoga
1-3:00 pm Staff Meeting

Parlor
Library

Tuesday, May 21

11:45 am – 2 pm Crafty Critters

E2

Wednesday, May 22

5:30 pm Psalm Players Rehearsal
6-7:15 pm The Calling
5:30 pm Praise Band Rehearsal
6:30 pm Chancel Bells Rehearsal
7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Sanctuary
Youth Suite
Fellowship Hall
Sanctuary
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Announcements

Assistive Listening Devices

We are working to improve our assistive listening devices. We have new headphones to go with them and have adjusted some of the levels to improve your experience. You should notice a marked difference. If you have questions or comments, please contact Associate Pastor Michael McEntyre or the church office.

First Kids Camp – Volunteers Needed

Volunteers needed for First Kids Camp July 29-August 2!

Our goal is to reach 70 kids, but we need your help! Kids Camp is about creating intentional time and space for kids from 3 years old to 6th grade to learn about the love of God revealed in Jesus. Whether you like working directly with kids or just helping in the background, we need you for First Kids Camp! We need help for Bible School 8:45 am-12 pm and during extended care 12:00 pm-5:30 pm. Let us know how you are interested in helping and we will find a place for you. Contact Lillian Hoell or Shelby Myers by emailing firstkidscamp@fbc-columbia.org

Summer Book Club

Everyone is invited to join our summer book club! Purchase one of the selected books about the Bible and read it over the summer. In the Fall, we will have small groups devoted to discussing each of them. Books are \$15 and can be purchased on Sunday mornings or in the church office during the week. The Books are *Inspired* by Rachel Held Evans, *The Bible Tells Me So* by Peter Enns, and *What is the Bible?* by Rob Bell.

The Enneagram and Relationships

6-week discussion with Rev. Brittany McDonald Null

Begins June 9

Beginning Sunday, June 9, at 10:15am in the Hospitality Room, Pastoral Resident Brittany McDonald Null will lead a 6-week discussion on *The Path Between Us* and the Enneagram and relationships. Each week the group will focus on a different topic regarding the Enneagram and relationships, rather than discussing number-by-number, so it is recommended that you read the book (and especially your type) prior to the first meeting. To register, email Brittany McDonald Null at bnull@fbc-columbia.org

30th Anniversary Concert of the Columbia Handbell Ensemble

June 8 at 7:00 pm

For 30 years, First Baptist Church has been home of the nationally recognized Columbia Handbell Ensemble, and to commemorate these years of excellence, the ensemble will be presenting a concert on Saturday, June 8 in our sanctuary. The ensemble has an amazing list of accomplishments and is one of the longest running community groups in the nation. The group has played for 9 regional and national events of the Handbell Musicians of America; has 21 selections written specifically for the CHE; has involved over 90 ringers, including 11 First Baptist members; was founded by First Baptist members Deb Carr and Ed Rollins (and they have conducted for 25 of the 30 years); and has collaborated with over 30 organizations from across mid-Missouri. Former ringers and directors will be participating in the concert. You are invited to join us for this musical celebration and for a reception honoring 30 years of existence. Tickets are \$7 in advance, \$10 at the door, and \$1 for children 12 and under. Contact Ed Rollins at rollins@fbc-columbia.org for additional information or tickets.

Pentecost Combined Worship – June 9

On June 9, at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall, we will come together for combined worship to celebrate Pentecost. The 10:15 am Small Groups and First Kids Sunday School will meet as usual. There will be no 11:15 am worship. The Annual Church Picnic will follow at Twin Lakes Park at 4pm.

Annual Church Picnic – June 9

On June 9 at 4 pm, First Baptist will be gathering for the Annual picnic at Twin Lakes Pavilion. All are invited for an afternoon of games, fishing, biking, walking, and of course the annual egg toss championship. Lee's fried chicken, drinks, and place settings will be provided. Please bring food for 12, according to the first letter of your last name: A-G: Veggies H-S: Side Dishes T-Z: Desserts

This year we are changing our annual missions bake auction up a bit. In the past, we have encouraged the men in the church to bring a dessert item to auction at the church picnic in what was called the "Pepto-Bismol Challenge." After several years of participating in this event, the dishes that have been offered are anything but abysmal. In fact, I have tasted some of the finest delicacies I've ever had from these entries. As such, we've decided to retire the name "Pepto-Bismol Challenge" and open up this opportunity to all our church members. So if you have a talent for creating tasty treats, we hope you will enter your finest confectionery delight in the Missions' Auction on June 9th at the Church Picnic. All the proceeds benefit a special Missions project to be announced soon. Thank you for your support and happy baking!

Fellowship Group – Dinner & A Show – June 23

Fellowship Adventurers is open to all: it's a group of people that get together to eat and do fun activities. The Fellowship Group is going to see HAIRSPRAY, by the Columbia Entertainment Company on June 23 at 2:00 pm. We will meet for dinner after at CoMo Smoke and Fire BBQ. Please RSVP to the office by June 19. Tickets are \$10.00 per person.



11:15 am Traditional Worship Service

For those who may prefer a more contemporary worship experience, First Baptist Church offers Awakening Contemporary Worship at 9:15 a.m. each Sunday in the Fellowship Hall.

For Children During Worship:

1st- 5th Graders are encouraged to participate in worship with their family.

Children (Birth-Kindergarten) can be dropped off in the nursery, located next to the sanctuary, prior to worship where they will be cared for by our professional staff.

10:15 Spiritual Formation Hour:

Birth-Age 3 childcare is provided by our professional staff in the nursery, located next to the sanctuary. First Kids Sunday School (3 years old through 5th grade) is on the third floor. Youth Bible Study (grades 6-12) is on the third floor.

Adult small groups which dive into various topics (visitors and guests welcomed):

Discussion Class in the Parlor on the second floor

Faith Forum in the second floor classroom, next to the elevator

Connections Group in the second floor library.

*The all-gender restroom is located in the Child Development Center Hallway outside the Sanctuary.

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